



By the King. (112.)

A PROCLAMATION

For the Discovery and Apprehension of Jesuites, Seminary Priests, and others that have taken Orders from the Church and See of *Rome*.

CHARLES R.



Is Majesty having been informed, That notwithstanding His former Orders and Proclamations Requiring Jesuites, Seminary Priests, and others that have taken Orders from the Church and See of Rome, and have not since been reconciled to the Church of England, to depart the Kingdom: Yet nevertheless such Priests and Jesuites continue and harbour themselves in the City of London, and Suburbs thereof, and likewise in other parts of this Kingdom, to the manifest Contempt of His Majesties Royal Authority, and the Laws and Religion Established; And notwithstanding His Majesties Commands to have the Laws against them given in Charge in all Counties, yet none have of late been Apprehended or Discovered. His Majesty thereupon, of His Pious Care for the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and for the prevention of the endeavours of such Priests and Jesuites who Seduce His good Subjects from the same, hath resolved, That so many of the said Priests as can be found, shall be speedily sent away

and Transported into the parts beyond the Seas; And to that end doth (With the Advice of His Privy Council) by this His Royal Proclamation Require, and strictly Charge and Command the Justices of the Peace of the several Counties and Cities of this Kingdom of England, Dominion of Wales, and Town of Berwick upon Tweed, at the next Quarter, or other General Sessions to be held for the said Counties and Cities respectively, That they and every of them, and also all and every other person and persons whatsoever, do use their utmost endeavour to Discover and Apprehend such person or persons as they or any of them shall either know, or be credibly informed is, or are Priests or Jesuites, or have taken Orders from the Church or See of Rome as aforesaid, and that they cause them, and every of them, to be brought before the Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, or one of His Principal Secretaries of State, who are to Commit them into safe Custody, in order to their Transportation. And that such Discoveries may be the better encouraged, and more effectually pursued, His Majesty hath given Order to the Lord High Treasurer of England, to cause speedy Payment to be made unto every person who shall make Discovery of any Priest or Jesuite, of the sum of Five pounds for every Priest or Jesuite so discovered, who shall be thereupon Apprehended and brought to the Lords of His Majesties Privy Council, or one of His Principal Secretaries of State; And moreover, the Charges of sending them up, shall be, and are hereby Directed and Appointed to be born and paid by the respective Sheriffs of the Counties through which they are to pass, who shall have the same allowed unto them upon Passing their Accounts in the Exchequer.

Given at Our Palace of Hampton Court, the Tenth day of June 1674. in the Six and twentieth year of Our Reign.

God save the King. (113.)

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